

### REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants have cancelled rejected claims 10 and 12-20. In addition, allowed dependent claim 11 has been rewritten in independent form and dependent claims 21 and 27-31 amended accordingly.

As remaining pending claims 1-9, 11 and 21-31 are indicated as being allowable, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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